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1. A shipment [] went from Netzeband to Oranienburg on 11 March; another shipment, [] was dispatched from Gransee to Bernau on 12 March.
2. Four troop trains, one passing through Grieben, one through Herzberg east of Altruppin and two through Neuruppin, proceeded toward Loewenberg on 11 March. On the same day, a column including 25 rocket launchers and 20 trucks passed through Altruppin toward the east.¹
3. On 11 March, Shipment [] went from Magdeburg to Reinsberg.²
4. A signal unit of the Third Shock Army was observed loading in Magdeburg.²
5. Shipments [] were sent from Rostock to Binz on Ruegen Island between 28 February and 1 March.³
6. On 11 March, four shipments, [] were dispatched from Jueterbog to Wittenberg.⁴

1. [] Comment: These movements appear to indicate that the exercises of the 25th Tank Division and of elements of the 6th Guards Mechanized Division, which had started in the area south-east of the Mueritz Lake on 6 March, were completed on 10 March in the area north of Neuruppin. See []

2. [] Comment: The information in Paragraphs 3 and 4 may indicate that units of the 9th Rifle Corps were scheduled to have exercised at the Wittstock troop training grounds after 12 March. Prior to this date, units of the 79th Rifle Division probably held exercises in Letzling Heath. See []

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25X1 3. [] Comment: Units of the 4th Anti-Tank Artillery Brigade, shipped on
25X1 23 February from Prora to Wustrow for advanced combat firing practice, were
apparently being sent back. []

25X1 4. [] Comment: This may constitute the return of about 70 tanks and 40 motor
25X1 vehicles of the 6th Guards Tank Division which had left for the Jueterbog area on
7 March. []

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